NETTING A JOB ON THE NET

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Finding a job requires a multipronged attack. One of the tools in your job-search arsenal should be the Internet. But, perhaps you're not a web surfer and don't know "ftp" from "html."

Why even bother with the Internet?

• It's There 24/7
It's available anytime: weekends,
holidays, the dead of night (when the kids
are finally in bed)—anytime.

- No Limits
 You can search for jobs in your own hometown or in Cameroon.
- Demonstrate Your Leading-Edge Skills
 Finding an opportunity on-line or
 researching on the Internet before an
 interview demonstrates you have some
 technical skills.
- Explore Alternatives You Haven't Considered

Not quite sure what you really want to be "when you grow up?" Self-assessment tools, occupational exploration, and training program information are all on-line.

Getting Started

The biggest problem with the Internet is the vast quantity of information. It may seem like too much information. Keep in mind that the Internet is a tool and, like all tools, it is only as good as the skill of the user.

A good place to start is the "no charge" Utah Department of Workforce Services Web site: *jobs.utah.gov* (there's no "www"). Just go to the Web site and click on "Find a Job."

Learning to use the Internet productively (like most things) takes time and effort. Don't be overwhelmed! Ask a friend or librarian (or your kid) for help, if you need it. You can also receive help from workers in the job search area at Workforce Services.

Ask Questions

Before you start your Internet job search, you might want to ask yourself a few questions. They will help you narrow your employment search.

- What kind of work do you want to do?
 Come up with general occupations that you are interested in—not specific job titles.
- Who do you want to work for?
 Are you interested only in certain
 industries? Do you want to work for a large
 employer? Do you have a specific employer
 in mind?
- Where do you want to work?
 Will you move anywhere for the right job or do you want to work in Enterprise, Utah?

Finding the Right Sites

The right site for you will depend on how you answered the questions listed above. For example, large international sites are probably not your choice if you're looking for a job in rural Utah. We think the best place to start is the free Utah Department of Workforce Services Web site: jobs.utah. gov. Click on "Find a Job".

Here are some other things to consider:

- Is it easy to use?
- Do they keep your identity confidential?
- Can you search with precision?
- Are the job listings dated so you know when they were added?
- How often is it updated?
- Who runs the service?
- Do you know someone who uses this service?
- If they charge a fee, is it worth it?

ON THE WEB

America's Job Bank http://www.ajb.org/

Federal Government Jobs http://jobs.utah.gov/jobseeker/fedjobs.asp

State Government Jobs http://www.dhrm.state.ut.us/
Job Central
http://www.directemployers.gr/

Job Central http://www.directemployers.com/
Employment Guide http://www.employmentguide.com/

Care Givers Job Clearing House http://www.carecareers.net/

Get a Job
Career Builder

http://www.getajob.com/
http://www.careerbuilder.com/

Hot Jobs (Yahoo)http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/Monsterhttp://www.monster.com/Job Hunthttp://www.job-hunt.org/

Salt Lake City Help Wanted

Southern Utah Help Wanted

http://www.saltlakecityhelpwanted.com/home/89.htm

http://southernutahhelpwanted.com/home/15.htm

Vault http://www.vault.com/

UTAH NEWSPAPER CLASSIFIED ADS

Box Elder News (Brigham City) http://benewsjournal.com/classifieds.html

Daily Herald (Provo) http://www.harktheherald.com/classifieds.php

Emery County Progress http://www.ecprogress.com/index.php?id=1&go=classads#113

Salt Lake Tribune/Deseret News http://www.slc-classifieds.com/employment/index.asp

Sun Advocate (Price) http://www.sunad.com/index.php?id=1&go=classads#113

The Daily Utah Chronicle (UofU) http://www.dailyutahchronicle.com/main.cfm?include=classifieds

The Daily Universe (BYU) http://newsnet.byu.edu/classified/300.html

The Herald Journal (Logan) http://www.thejobnetwork.com

The Park Record (Park City) http://park.abracat.com/c2/jobs/hub/index.xml

The Sign Post (Weber State Univ) http://www.wsusignpost.com/vnews/display.v/SEC/Classifieds

The Spectrum (St. George) http://www.thespectrum.com/classifieds/index.html
The Standard Examiner (Ogden) http://www.thespectrum.com/classifieds/index.html
http://www.zwire.com/site/employment.cfm?brd=2555

The Times News (Nephi) http://www.nephitimesnews.com/0704/070704/classifiedads.htm

Tooele Transcript Bulletin http://www.transcriptbulletin.com/050.html

Uintah Basin Standard (Roosevelt) http://www.ubstandard.com/

The Vernal Express http://www.vernal.com/cmsimple2_3new/?August_10%2C_2005:Classified_Ads